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SHILOH (CEDAR MILLS)

(LOT 20, CON. 6 ALBION)

WESLEYAN METHODIST

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SHILOH, WESLEYAN METHODIST.
1857.

Has a good wire fence about the cemetery some half acre in size. The grass is long, but evidently, at one time in the not too distant past, it has been looked after.

The stones are down here and there.

There is one family plot with wrought-iron fencing, about three feet high, similar to that found in several other cemeteries in this district.

see later page – I.O.M.
(Stewart family)

Date 14th. September 1857.

Grantor. Samuel Robb and Marths Robb.
Grantee. John Vance, Rich. Shore, [illegible]
Henry Harper, Joseph Roadhouse, Wm. Roadhouse.
Trustees of the Zion Congregation in Canada in connection with the English Conference.

East Half Lot 20 con. 6. Albion, ½ acre.

Harriet daughter of John and Margaret Robb died 1825 aged 11 years

N.B. Error in date due to defective or marred engraving of the third figure. Date is 1875

see later page
I.O.M.

Stewart

The name of Zion however seems never to have been applied to the church built on this site, which was known from the beginning as Shiloh, a little later also as Cedar Mills.

no record

Origin of Shiloh Wesleyan Church:

At the extreme north west corner of L. 21 con. 7 (7th line) stood the local school house. In early days schools were gratly used as a place of religious meetings.

Jos. Roadhouse of E. hf. L. 20 con. 7 (8th line) a man of great piety & an ardent wesleyan opened a Sunday School in this public school, & began religious instruction of the local youth. Furniture was scant. He borrowed a chair from Samuel Robb on whose farm the school was situated, to do duty as his seat to Superintend, he being the superintendent. under his energetic leadership the Sabbath School flourished & he pressed for church construction lacking not for support from other settlers. As a result on Sept. 14, 1857, Samuel Robb (pioneer) and wife Martha granted sufficient land for church site near north east corner of lot 20, (7th line, albion) facing 20 sideline. The trustees of proposed church were

John Vance
Richard Shore
Henry Harper
Joseph Roadhouse
William Roadhouse.

a frame building was erected, having two rows of seats, one for females and one for males according to a prevailing custom, & separated by an aisle with stove in its centre. The pulpit was placed high in an alcove of semi circular design, with door to either side & four steps leading to it from the floor of the edifice. The first lighting was by tallow candles (homemade). It was not until 1905 that the church was bricked by a member of the Congregation, James Bible, our last local bricklayer who lived in a house just south of the churchyard fence. at this time the edifice was completely renovated and new windows & seats installed. Lighting by oil lamps had, of course, been installed with the advent of that system & likewise an organ had been procured when such came into general use in churches. For one half century the organist has been Martha Robb, daughter of Robert Robb, (Cedar Mills, one & only post master) & granddaughter of Pioneer Samuel Robb on whose farm the church site was granted. Martha taught music as a young girl later marrying a church member Henry Werner, whose farm is on the same lot as the church. (E. hf.)

Mac Locke for Mr Bull

SHILOH WESLEYAN METHODIST

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E½ Lot 20, Con. 6, ALBION.

The first burial took place long before there was a church here. It was

Error of date – see P. 1 – I.O.M.

Harriet, daughter of John & Margaret Robb.
Died 1825 (1875 Error) aged 4 years.

In 1857 the ground where she was buried was given as a church and burial ground by Samuel & Martha Robb. In 1858 a young mother followed by her infant daughter joined this child (who has slept so long alone.) error

The cemetery is surrounded by a good wire fence, and although covered by long grass with a few of the stones fallen it shows signs of tidying and regular cleaning up.

The epitaph on the stone above, William Linn, is out of the ordinary run.

He is gone; the loved and cherished one
Like some bright star he passed away
Death claimed his victim and he sank
Calm as the sun's expiring ray.

The following families are buried here:

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Dunlop.

Golt.

Harrison.

Jefferson.

Linn.

McCabe.

Nimmons.

Proctor.

Robb.

Stewart.

Verner.

Whitnell.

Shiloh Pastors as Part of Bolton Circuit.

1. Thos. Lawson
2. Leroyd
3. Savage
4. Sherlock
5. Barrass
6. Matheson
7. Thos. Glover
8. Peter Campbell
9. Henry McDowell
10. Shem Blanchard (later served as pastor from Palgrave.)

Church Transferred to Palgrave Circuit
(see further list previously furnished
you for Palgrave)

son of Pioneer James.

Mr. George Robb, Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask.

CEMETERY

He (John Robb) died in Albion and was buried in an old grave yard on E.½ lot 14 in the sixth con. 7 error – means Shiloh see other page. I.O.M.

[We have no cemetery at above location, but Shiloh #70 is the nearest & there are Robbs buried there.

memo.

On tombstone inscriptions you will note two errors recorded – 1 grammatical – 1 spelling.

Similar errors are quite common in business signs (window & overhead) along town & city streets. A man may be an excellent engraver but a trifle lacking in education.

Mention of this is made by reason of the fact that one such error was checked off for me to determine. I came across the other myself.

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Shilo, A.D. 1857, W.M.C.

Albion Con 6 Lot 20

DUNLOP

M William H, son of Thomas, and Margaret Dunlop, d. 1877. Feb Feb. 20
aged 1 yr.

See also nimmons - Jefferson history.

The blooming rose did fade away
To bloom in Everlasting day.

Shilo, A.D. 1857 W.M.C. 6465

Gott
Golt.

daughter of pioneer Jas. Robb

Elizabeth, wife of William Golt, d. 1858, aged 28 yrs.

d. 15 July.

a faithful friend, a mother dear
a tender parent lieth here
Great is the loss we here sustain
But hope in heaven to meet again.

Shilo, 1877. W.M. C. 5

other copy says 1873

6466

Hannah Harrison d. March 4, 1878 aged 5 yrs.

Frances Harrishon, died Mar. 18, 1873, age 38.

Frances Harrison wife of Richard Harrison

Formerly Frances Robb — daughter of Pioneer Jas. Robb

of E. Hf. L. 21 con. 7 (8th line) & his wife (nee) ann Reynar.

Hannah — surviving infant of Frances Harrison dies 5 yrs. later

Shilo Cemetery W. M. C.

6467

Mary, wife of John Jefferson, d. 1858, aged 23 yrs. 11 mos.

Hannah, dau. of the above d. March 30, 1858, aged 6 mos.

see also Simmons - re wife of Hy. Jefferson.

In death's cold arms lies sleeping here
a tender parent & child most dear,
In love they lived, in peace they died
Their lives was asked but God denied.

memo. True copy - slightly ungrammatical

Dunlop plot next to Jefferson plot by reason of relationship explained elsewhere.

SHILO CEMETERY W.M.C.

6468

John Linn

died January 21, 1887 aged 73 yrs.

William Linn

died March 12, 1876, aged 37 years, 5 months, son of John and Elizabeth Linn.

He is gone; the loved and cherished one
Like some bright star he passed away
Death claimed his victim and he sank
Calm as the sun's expiring ray.

John Linn — pioneer — E. hf. L. 21 con. 4 - 5th line
married to Elizabeth (Betty) Stewart — sister of
pioneer John Stewart mentioned on other page.

William — their son died on same farm.

Bodies remain here. No immediate relatives left in vicinity to care graves.

Three bases surmounted by square pillar (engraved) & topped by urns. Excellent condition, contrast to slab style which break & topple

6469

Shilo, 1857, W.M.C.

McCabe

Thomas McCabe, ded December 15 (9.0.m.) + 18 1, aged 86 yrs.

Native of Co. ~~Cavanmagh~~ Caven, Ireland.

His wife, Helen Parker; died 27 December 1891, aged 67 yrs.

Thomas McCabe Jr. died 14, July 1897, aged 45 yrs.

Pioneer Thomas McCabe & wife nee Ellen (Helen) Parker of Lot. 21 reaching from 6th to 7th line (200 acres)

and Their son Tom who died on same farm.

These bodies remain. Little chance of exhumation. Immediate relatives dead or widely scattered.

Loose stone foundation showing above ground

Heavy oblong base over stone

Thick Heavy oblong ~~slab~~ stone for inscription

Excellent condition – another contrast to scattered & broken thin slabs lying about

Trim iron fence about plot becoming displaced.

Memo. It was this Pioneer Thomas McCabe who sold Isaac Matson the yoke of oxen mentioned in previous writeup.

TT 6470

SHILOH CHURCH ALBION CON. 6, Lot 20.

NIMMONS

Charlotte, w. of Henry Jefferson, d. Aug., 1884, a. 84 yrs.

"Our mother has gone to mansion of rest,
To the glorious land of the Diety blest."

wife (Given in full on headstone) 2.0.M.
note error & engraver in spelling of Deity.

Twice married — 1st husband Henry Jefferson. wife signifies married to first husband. Remarried Nimmons on E. hf. L 23 Con. 5 (6th line) a valley commonly called the Glen with heavy Humber tributary (few rods from Humber) known as the Nimmons creek. Glen now known as Glenlake park.

1. By first husband had John Jefferson (son) whose wife's death & child's death (Hannah) are chronicled on other page

2. By first husband had daughter (Mrs. Jas. Riddell) mother of Dr. John Riddell, prin. of Wesley College (Methodist) Winnipeg and Rev. Samuel Philip Riddell (d) of Edmonton and Wm. N. Riddell (lay preacher, long term recve of Albion & Warden of Peel. and Jas. Riddell (d) — over quarter century on Tottenham School Board and Geo. — on homestead — married to Annie Vance — daughter of Case Vance & granddaughter of John Vance listed on P.1 as grantee.
and Mrs. Sydney Thompson (See christening memo on 75 24 Shiloh anniv. and Charlotte (single)

3. By first husband had daughter Margaret — married to Thomas Dunlop. See death of their child on other page.

4. By first husband had son Samuel — John's only surviving son (named after uncle) was county commissioner for Albion, Twp. clerk. and Palgrave post master.

no children by Nimmons.

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Proctor

Julia Ann, d. 15 August 1861, aged 1 yr.

James Henry, 18 February, 1869, aged 11 mos. another copy Sept 1867.

Margaret Frances, died 5 December 1870, aged 9 yrs.

Children of Simon and Elizabeth Proctor.

Elizabeth Proctor was formerly Elizabeth (Betty) Shore, daughter of (Crown Deed) Robert Shore full lot 23. (See other page)
She & husband Simon Proctor lived in house north of lane opening unto 7th line - said lane separating ~~Lot~~ 23 into two string hundreds owned by Shores. (still in name of Shore-daughters of John)

memo During period of Albion migration to the west John took over Albion land and his brothers Robert, Joseph and James migrated (Qu'appelle valley, Sask. well populated by Albion people) The night before departure Mrs. John Shore gave goose supper in farewell.

In the west, the above mentioned Robt. Shore had as issue one T. J. Shore whose son is the famous hockey-player. [EDDIE]
This makes Robert Shore & Peggy (wife) the original owners of L. 23 the great grandparents of the hockey player. He has visited it at intervals between hockey seasons.

(See whitmell burial on other page)

Shilo, A.D. 1857, W.M. C.

6472

ROBB

James, son of George, and ~~Elizabeth~~ Ellen Robb, died 3 January 1862, aged 3 ~~yrs.~~ mos.

The parents of child were Geo. Robb – son of pioneer Jas. Robb (See mention elsewhere) and George's wife (nee) Ellen Stewart – daughter of Dave Stewart, boot maker of Thistleton. (other descendants still running store there)

Memo. – a sister of this mrs. Geo. Robb married Jeremiah Taylor of Palgrave whose history you doubtless have for some other book.

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Robb.

MARTHA, wife of John Robb, died 30 April 1864, aged 31 yrs. — Son of Pioneer Jas.

Martha, wife of Samuel Robb died 1864, age 51. — wife of pioneer Samuel. — other copy gives 1873 — mistake? correct

SAMUEL ROBB died 30 July, 1873, aged 72 yrs. Pioneer

THOMAS Son of Geo. and ~~Elinor~~ Ellen Robb, died 27 March 1872, aged 1 year. — See previous page for other child

Bertha Agnes, dau. of Robert and Margaret Robb. died 11 March, 1877, aged 2 yrs. grandchild of pioneer Samuel

Ethel Irena, dau. of Samuel and Mary J. Robb, died 6 May. 1885, aged 1 yr. grandchild of pioneer Samuel

From Dawd McFall's notes.

Harriet, daughter of John and Margaret Robb, died 1875, age 11. (other copy says age 4 yrs.) — grandchild of pioneer James

memo Pioneer Samuel's wife was on deathbed when her brother, Robert Irvine came to bid farewell when departing for american civil war. He did not enter death chamber fearing news would hasten her end. Her son, Robert Robb walked down 7th line a distance of one lot with departing uncle as per old time custom when of accompanying one going on protracted leave. no word was spoken until uncle bade him stop & proceeded alone to top of hill turning to wave hat. Killed in action later. — W.M. L 20 con. 7 (7th line)

6474

SHILO CEMETERY W.M.C.

Dr. G. Stewart

Large Plot with Iron rails around it. (made by Plummer Bros. foundry of Bolton) I.O.M.

Moved to Laurel Hill.

STEWART.

There is an enclosure with the name of Dr. G. Stewart on the gate of the iron fence. There are graves inside the enclosure but no stones.

This plot contained pioneer John Stewart & Wife (nee Mary Jamieson) of E. hf. L. 21 con. 5 (6th line)
also Their daughter Elizabeth (Lizzie) of same farm.
also Their son Dr. George Stewart who died in medical practise at Sudbury.

all exhumed & removed to Laurel Hill Cemetery by another son William (bachelor) who later died at residence of married sister, mrs. wm. wray, in brick residence now occupied by Fred Taylor Palgrave barber (beside C.N.R. Track - South)

memo. This house passed from ownership of wm. wray & wife in week prior to Good Friday 1919 to Mrs. F.H. Taylor & before the moving was completed of either party it narrowly escaped fire by burning of G.T.R. station beside it. (This was Palgrave's second station. Fire at daybreak. origin unknown.

SHILOH CHURCH ALBION CON. 6, Lot 20.

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6475

VERNER

James, s. of Geo. & Elizabeth, d. June., 1862, a. 5 yrs.

"This tender bud so young and fair

Has gone to heaven to blossom there."

memo The Geo. verner (parent) was son of pioneer of W. hf. L. 20 con. 6 who was killed by crowbar blow when heavy stone fell back on it. Geo. verner's son Henry occupies farm, & is rearing in favour of Son Leonard (present albion councillor) lately married.

This makes 4th generation on this farm.

James Robb – m. Ann Reynar.
(Issue)

Geo. – m. Ellen Stewart
John –
Jas. –
Richard –
Thos.
Harriet (Mrs. Robt. Evans) (See old Bolton cemetery p. 6 for hers & daughter)
Hannah (Mrs. John Wolfe)
Margaret (Mrs. Stewart)
Elizabeth (Mrs. Wm. Gott)
Frances (Mrs. Richard Harrison)

Samuel Robb – m. Martha Irwin
(Issue)

John – m. Eliza Beatty – sister of Geo. Beatty founder of Beatty Bros. Fergus & father of Wm. & Milton (present owners)

Geo. – Bachelor – practised law in Orangeville
Samuel – m. Mary Jane McCabe (daughter of Alex. McCabe)
(Robert – m. Margaret Jane Peters – this couple produced a music teacher, daughter, another as graduate of Deville Ladies College, two other daughters as school teachers, two sons as dentists, one son as bank manager & one as farmer (all products of S.S. no. 9, Albion.
(Cedar mills postmaster)
Mary – (Mrs. John Jefferson) (See writings on burial page)
Ann – (Mrs. Wm. Martin)
Jane – (Mrs. Joseph Abernethy)

6476

Shilo, A.D. 1857, W.M.C.

we always called this name Whitmill. (J.O.M.)

WHITNELL

Ann, beloved wife of Thos. Whitnell, died 25 November 1871, aged 33 yrs.

a sister of John Shore — pioneer of E. hf. L. 23 con. 6

memo. John Shore was born as boat docked at Quebec far over a century ago. Parents were Robert and Elizabeth (Peggie) who settled on Lot 23 con. 6 - 200 ac. from 6th to 7th Line.

Plot unlisted by your previous reporters. (Some old stones being left.)

Wm. Hy. Shore - brother of John — carried in coffin by pall bearers from above lot to Shiloh churchyard

Robt. Shore — original
Elizabeth - wife of original.
Julia Ann - daughter of John Shore?

But the Shore family on the pioneer farm of L. 23 con. 6. have transferred remains to Laurel Hill.

The Robb connection is so heavily represented in Shiloh Church activities, churchyard burials, & relationship to others buried here that I deem it essential to speak of their Canadian origin.

Two Irish lads (brothers) James and Samuel Robb set foot on dock at Halifax with the customary goal in view of most Irish immigrants at that time — work on the Welland Canal. Likewise they had the customary old country idea of distance prevailing in their own land of small areas which meant an utter lack of comprehension of distance in Canada. Old country ideas of our vastness have only been acquired in recent years, such knowledge being largely due to intermingling with Canadian troops overseas. James and Samuel Robb were naturally appalled to learn of the mileage from Halifax to Welland. Their scant hoardings would not suffice for transportation (by water — no railroads) of both. James being the less robust took money, & luggage & boat passing up the St. Lawrence & Ottawa rivers to Bytown (Ottawa) & by canal to Kingston & there by Lake Ontario to destination. Samuel set out manfully on foot by trail and military roads, eventually rejoining his brother at Welland Canal.

As similarity of Christian names of their Albion descendents is exceedingly confusing I also deem it advisable to list them on reverse page for ready reference.